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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of time in which to respond to the final Office Action dated February 13, 2004, for which a three-month response period expiring on May 13, 2004 was set. The extended period expires on August 13, 2004.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) extension fee of \$950.00 to the Deposit Account of Kenyon & Kenyon, Deposit Account number 11-0600.

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The office is also authorized to charge any additional fees, or credit overpayments, associated with this paper to Deposit Account 11-0600.

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Respectfully submitted,

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